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SUMMARY: AT MEETING, EXPERTS DRAFTED PROPOSALS FOR NEW
PILOT STUDIES ON A) ROLE OF TRANSPORTATION IN URBAN
REVITALIZATION; B) RURAL PASSENGER TRANSPORTATION. ACTION
REQUESTED: REVIEW OF PROPOSALS BY DEPARTMENT AND OTHER
INTERESTED AGENCIES. END SUMMARY.

1. FOLLOWING PARTICIPATED IN CCMS TRANSPORTATION EXPERTS
MEETING:

FEDERAL REPUBLIC OF GERMANY: MR. KARLFRIITZ WOLFF, DEPT
-- -- OF TRANSPORTATION

FRANCE: MR. JEAN FRANCOIS STUYCK-TAILLANDIER, FOREIGN
-- MINISTRY

NETHERLANDS: MR. FRANS JONK, RESEARCH CENTER FOR PHYSICAL
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-- PLANNING

TURKEY: MR. ERDAL COSKUN, ULASTIRMA BAKANLIGI, UKI

UK: MR. MICHAEL BEAZLEY
-- DR. ANTHONY HITCHCOCK
-- DR. GEOFF MARGASON

-- MRS. ELIZABETH HITCHINS
-- MR. P. E. PICKERING
ALL WITH THE DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORT

USA: MR. H. CLAY BLACK, AMEMBASSY LONDON
-- MR. ERIC BESHES, DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION
USMISSION TO NATO: MR. PATRICK M. FOLAN

2. UNDER ITEM III OF AGENDA (REFTEL) PARTICIPANTS REVIEWED FOLLOW-UP WORK ON COMPLETED CCMS TRANSPORTATION PILOT STUDY AND AGREED TO RECOMMEND THAT NO FURTHER FOLLOW-UP WORK BE UNDERTAKEN.

3. PARTICIPANTS, SHOWING GREAT INTEREST IN DEVELOPING STRONG PROPOSALS THAT COMPLEMENTED WORK BEING DONE IN OTHER INTERNATIONAL ORGANIZATIONS, ENGAGED IN ACTIVE AND FRANK EXCHANGE IN COOPERATIVE ATMOSPHERE. THEY DRAFTED AND AGREED TO RECOMMEND FOR CONSIDERATION IN CAPITALS AND BY CCMS COORDINATORS IN THEIR JULY MEETING PROPOSALS FOR NEW PILOT STUDIES ON THE ROLE OF TRANSPORTATION IN URBAN REVITALIZATION AND RURAL PASSENGER TRANSPORTATION. (TEXTS OF PROPOSAL SENT SEPTELS)

4. PARTICIPANTS FOUND DRAFTING OF PROPOSAL ON ROLE OF TRANSPORTATION IN URBAN REVITALIZATION MORE TAXING BECAUSE OF THE DIFFICULTY IN DEFINING WHICH URBAN ZONES SHOULD BE UNCLASSIFIED

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THE FOCUS OF THE STUDY, THE MULTIPLICITY OF FACTORS INVOLVED, AND CONCERN ABOUT THE ABILITY OF EXPERTS TO ISOLATE CAUSE AND EFFECT IN THE URBAN CONTEXT. UK EXPERT(MARGASON) SAID THAT BECAUSE OF BURDEN OF OTHER COMMITMENTS HIS UNIT, TRANSPORT AND ROAD RESEARCH LABORATORY, WOULD NOT BE ABLE TO PARTICIPATE IN URBAN TRANSPORTATION/REVITALIZATION PILOT STUDY, IF IT WERE APPROVED. UK DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORT OFFICIAL (HITCHINS) MADE CLEAR, HOWEVER, THAT OTHER UK AGENCIES WERE INTERESTED IN SUCH A PILOT STUDY AND LOOKED FORWARD TO REVIEWING PROPOSAL.

5. ALL PARTICIPANTS SPOKE FAVORABLY OF THE RURAL PASSENGER TRANSPORTATION PROPOSAL. DURING INFORMAL EXCHANGES OUTSIDE MEETING, FRG, FRENCH AND UK (HITCHCOCK) PARTICIPANTS INDICATED THAT THEY BELIEVED THAT SUCH A PILOT STUDY WOULD BE EASIER TO IMPLEMENT BECAUSE OF ITS MORE LIMITED SCOPE AND BECAUSE SO LITTLE WORK IN THIS AREA HAD BEEN UNDERTAKEN BY OTHER INTERNATIONAL ORGANIZATIONS.

6. WE RECOMMEND THAT FURTHER CONSIDERATION OF TRANSPORTATION PROPOSALS PROCEED ALONG FOLLOWING LINES:

A) REVIEW OF PROPOSALS BY DEPARTMENT AND OTHER INTERESTED AGENCIES TO DETERMINE WHETHER U.S. WILL VOLUNTEER TO LEAD THEM OR SIMPLY SUPPORT THEM.

B) CIRCULATION AS SOON AS POSSIBLE OF PROPOSALS IN NATO AC/274 SERIES (BEFORE ISSUING THEM, INTERNATIONAL STAFF WILL WANT TO KNOW WHETHER U.S. IS WILLING TO LEAD PROPOSED STUDIES OR MERELY WISHES TO PRESENT PROPOSALS FOR CONSIDERATION AT JULY COORDINATORS' MEETING. PLEASE ADVISE.)

C) DISCUSSION OF PROPOSALS AT JULY COORDINATORS' MEETING.

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